Humidifier (April 2013)

Item:

Device used to humidify supplemental oxygen

Classification:

- Basic Support procedure
- · Specified in existing regulations

Use and Level:

• Authorized for all levels of EMT as basic scope of practice.

Authority:

- Section 100063(a)(6)(D) of the EMT Regulations, Chapter 2, Division 9, Title 22,
 California Code of Regulations allows EMTs to utilize basic oxygen delivery equipment.
- Section 100106(a) of the AEMT Regulations, Chapter 3, Division 9, Title 22, California
 Code of Regulations states that an AEMT may perform any activity identified in the scope
 of practice for an EMT.
- Section 100146(a) of the Paramedic Regulations (Chapter 4, Division 9, Title 22, California Code of Regulations). Subsection (a) states that a Paramedic may perform any activity identified in the scope of practice for an EMT.

Training:

As specified in AEMT and Paramedic regulations for level of provider.

Equipment:

Humidified oxygen delivered through appropriate supplemental oxygen delivery device

Medical Direction:

Used in accordance with a protocol written and approved by the local EMS agency medical director (HS 1797.220).

Considerations and Recommendations:

No additional guidance at this time.